

“NEWS FLASH FROM THE FUTURE!”

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WARNING!

- Beware **newspaper exegesis**.
- We are in the **last days**.

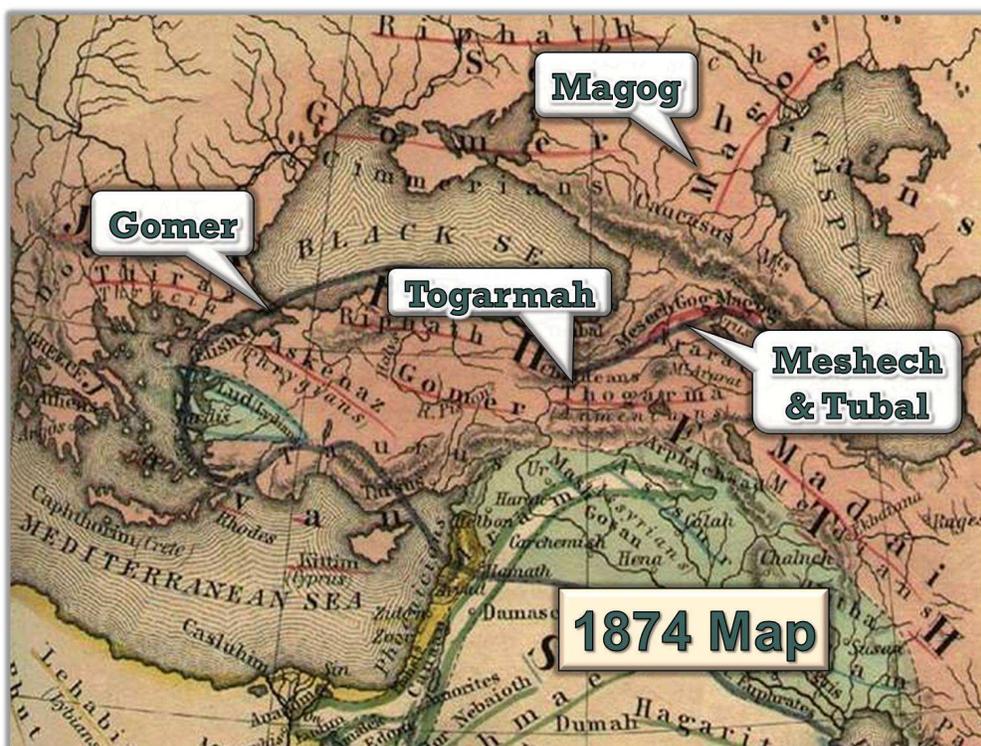
THREE FUTURE HEADLINES

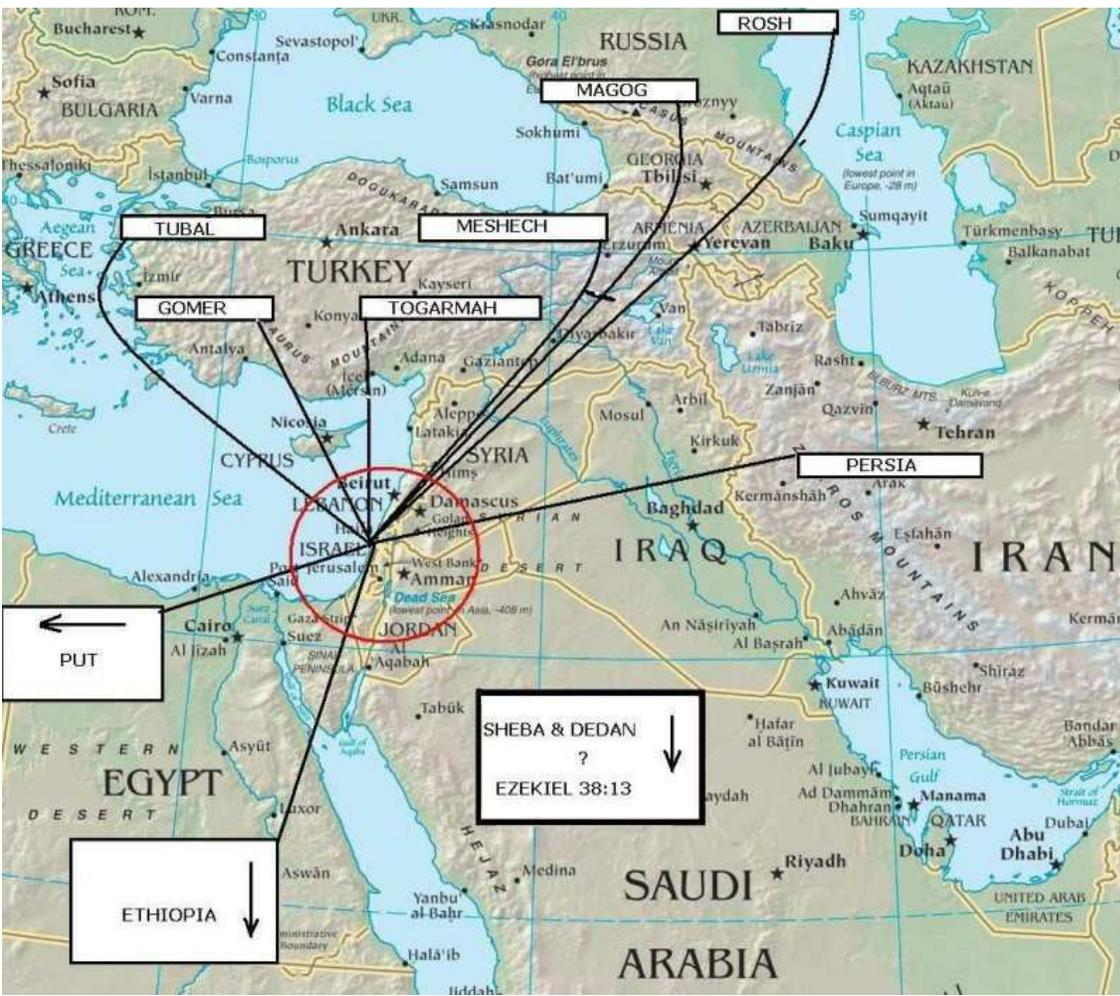
- **EGYPT AND LIBYA JOIN WITH RUSSIA IN AN ATTEMPT TO INVADE ISRAEL** - *Tribulation Times*
 - This is known as the war of **Gog** and **Magog** (Ezekiel 38-39).
 - Egypt will have a time of **internal** crisis that will leave them demoralized ... a great leader (king) will take charge (Isaiah 19:1-4).

Isaiah 19:1-4

“The oracle concerning Egypt. Behold, the Lord is riding on a swift cloud and is about to come to Egypt; the idols of Egypt will tremble at His presence, and the heart of the Egyptians will melt within them. ‘So, I will incite Egyptians against Egyptians; and they will each fight against his brother and each against his neighbor, city against city and kingdom against kingdom. Then the spirit of the Egyptians will be demoralized within them; and I will confound their strategy, so that they will resort to idols and ghosts of the dead and to mediums and spiritists. Moreover, I will deliver the Egyptians into the hand of a cruel master, and a mighty king will rule over them,’ declares the Lord God of hosts.”

- **Egypt** (king of the south) and **Russia** (king of the north) will lead a confederacy against Israel at the middle of the tribulation (Daniel 11:40; Ezekiel 38:1-23).
- This confederacy led by Russia and joined by Egypt will include Libya, **Ethiopia**, Sudan, **Iran**, Turkey, and southern countries from the old Soviet Union (Ezekiel 38:1-7; Daniel 11:40).





➤ These armies will be horribly crushed by:

1. A great **earthquake**
2. **Infighting** among themselves
3. **Disease**
4. Torrential rain, **hailstorms** and fire (Ezekiel 38:19-22)

➤ Egypt will be **plundered** by the antichrist (Daniel 11:41-43) and will remain a **wasteland** for the remainder of the tribulation (Isaiah 19:16-17).

➤ These events will cause the nations to **revere** God (Ezekiel 38:23) and call Egyptians to the **Savior** (Isaiah 19:16-22).

• **BABYLON RISES AGAIN** – *Megiddo Desert Enquirer*

- Babylon has an unholy list of firsts in Scripture:
 - ✓ Babylon is the city where man first began to worship himself in **rebellion** against God (Genesis 11:1-9).
 - ✓ Babylon is the capitol city of the first world ruler ... **Nimrod** (Genesis 10:8-10).
 - ✓ Babylon (Shinar) was listed first among the nations to persecute **Abraham** (Genesis 14).
 - ✓ Babylon was the capitol of the first **world empire** to capture and rule over Jerusalem.
- Babylon is most likely in its **ancient** location.
 - ✓ Babylon was never **destroyed** as prophesied (Isaiah 13:19-22).

Isaiah 13:19-22

“And Babylon, the beauty of kingdoms, the glory of the Chaldeans’ pride, will be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah. It will never be inhabited or lived in from generation to generation; nor will the Arab pitch his tent there, nor will shepherds make their flocks lie down there. But desert creatures will lie down there, and their houses will be full of owls; ostriches also will live there, and shaggy goats will frolic there. Hyenas will howl in their fortified towers and jackals in their luxurious palaces. Her fateful time also will soon come and her days will not be prolonged.”

- ✓ Babylon has always been a known **location** ... a city dedicated to **war** against God and Jerusalem. (Babylon is mentioned 290 times in Scripture.)

- ✓ In Revelation (9:14; 16:12), a key starting point for wicked events is the **Euphrates River** ... the river of the city of Babylon.

Zechariah 5:5-11

“Then the angel who was speaking with me went out and said to me, ‘Lift up now your eyes and see what this is going forth.’ I said, ‘What is it?’ And he said, ‘This is the ephah going forth.’ Again he said, ‘This is their appearance in all the land (and behold, a lead cover was lifted up); and this is a woman sitting inside the ephah.’ Then he said, “This is Wickedness!’ And he threw her down into the middle of the ephah and cast the lead weight on its opening. Then I lifted up my eyes and looked, and there two women were coming out with the wind in their wings; and they had wings like the wings of a stork, and they lifted up the ephah between the earth and the heavens. I said to the angel who was speaking with me, ‘Where are they taking the ephah?’ Then he said to me, ‘To build a temple for her in the land of Shinar; and when it is prepared, she will be set there on her own pedestal.’”

- ✓ Zechariah 5:5-11 describes a future Babylon where **commerce** and **wickedness** will be worshipped (520 B.C. Zechariah writes after fall to Medes).
- ✓ Jeremiah’s description of Babylon and its destruction closely **parallels** the description in Revelation 17-18.

Key: Babylon will rise on new found **wealth** (Zechariah 5).

The table below lists the countries with the largest oil reserves in the world, as of 2007. The information was compiled by the US Energy Information Administration.

Rank	Country	Proved reserves (billion barrels)
1.	Saudi Arabia	262.3
2.	Canada	179.21
3.	Iran	136.27
4.	Iraq	115
5.	Kuwait	101.5
6.	United Arab Emirates	97.8
7.	Venezuela	80.012
8.	Russia	60
9.	Libya	41.464
10.	Nigeria	36.22
11.	Kazakhstan	30
12.	United States	21.757
13.	China	16
14.	Qatar	15.207
15.	Mexico	12.352
16.	Algeria	12.27
17.	Brazil	11.773
18.	Angola	8
19.	Norway	7.849
20.	Azerbaijan	7
Top 20 countries		1252.04 (95%)
Rest of world		65.4 (5%)
World total		1,317.447

NOTES: Proved reserves are estimated with reasonable certainty to be recoverable with present technology and prices.

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration. <http://tonto.eia.doe.gov/>.

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Read more: [Greatest Oil Reserves by Country, 2007 — Infoplease.com](http://www.infoplease.com/science/energy/oil-reserves-2007.html#ixzz1GEuMG3PP)
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“In 2000, OPEC countries earned \$243 billion from oil exports ... For all of 2007 the estimate was more than \$688 billion.”²

“Projections by peak oil people that Saudi Arabia oil reserves have been grossly overstated (by 40%) and that the country can no longer prevent world oil prices rising have been conformed in confidential cables from the US Consulate, released by WikiLeaks.”³

“The Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister told *The Times* that new exploration showed that his country has the world’s largest proven oil reserves, with as much as 350 billion barrels. The figure is triple the country’s present proven reserves and exceeds that of Saudi Arabia’s estimated 264 billion barrels of oil. Barham Salih said that the new estimate had been based on recent geological surveys and seismic data compiled by ‘reputable, international oil companies ... This is a serious figure from credible sources.’”⁴



Dubai in 1990 prior to the craziness



The same street in 2003



Last year



The madness. Dubai is said to currently have 15-25% of all the world's cranes.



The Dubai Waterfront. When completed it will become the largest waterfront development in the world.



All of this was built in the last 5 years, including that island that looks like a palm tree.



The Palm Islands in Dubai. New Dutch dredging technology was used to create these massive man made islands. They are the largest artificial islands in the world and can be seen from space. Three of these Palms will be made with the last one being the largest of them all.



Upon completion, the resort will have 2,000 villas, 40 luxury hotels, shopping centers, movie theaters, and many other facilities. It is expected to support a population of approximately 500,000 people. It is advertised as being visible from the moon.



The World Islands. 300 artificially created islands in the shape of the world. Each island will have an estimated cost of \$25-30 million.⁵

It will be important to the **nations** (Revelation 17:15, 18; 18:9-19).

• ISRAEL REBUILDS TEMPLE ON ORIGINAL SITE –

The Jihadist Cry

- Israel will sign a **peace treaty** with the antichrist. The temple will either already exist or will be built at that time (Daniel 9:27).

Model of Temple



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- At the **mid-point** of the tribulation, the antichrist will **desecrate** this temple and lift himself up as God (Matthew 24:15; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-13).

1 Thessalonians 2:1-7

“Now we request you, brethren, with regard to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him, that you not be quickly shaken from your composure or be disturbed either by a spirit or a message or a letter as if from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come. Let no one in any way deceive you, for it will not come unless the apostasy comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, who opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, displaying himself as being God. Do you not remember that while I was still with you, I was telling you these things? And you know what restrains him now, so that in his time he will be revealed. For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only he who now restrains will do so until he is taken out of the way.”

Key: The presence of the temple indicates a **rejection** of Christ ... this rejection will not last.

WHAT SHOULD I DO?

• 2 Peter 3:14-15

1. We are to be at **peace**.
2. We are to act **right**.
3. We are to share the **Gospel**.

SETTLE DOWN

Our role does not change!

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